

over

227 pipneus

July 1904

LADIES' COLLEGE

CHELTENHAM

Dear Mr Mason

I have got your

book - I received me,

& I thank you very

much - I have

not had time to read

it properly yet - I

mean to do so -

I hope you are

well & yours

121 p2 pnc487

work flourishing - /
see for account but
this - You have
done excellent masonry
work.

I have just over heard
Wm. G. Sells lecture on
Health - She is so
charming, and so to the
so reticent but she
does not make
girls angry, and

8 p 121

LADIES' COLLEGE
CHELTENHAM

She does make her
feel the importance
of the privilege of her
happiness of doing
all for the home, as
perfectly as we
can -

What harm such
looks as W. Dornieys

8 p 121

87 - The Awakening of
women - and article
in the Westminster.

There is one very
objectionable in his
forthrightly of last
month -

Yours affectionately
D. Deane

ms. A. 9. 2. 1. p. 11. en 8

The River Field

Camden

May 9. 17

My dear "C. M."

How good of you to
write with your own hand. I
did begin a letter, but cannot
find it now, so I begin again.
My card was finished in a
hurry & I must have written
negatively. We have two grand-
-children only. Mary Hancock
has a flourishing boy, and Cherry

122p2pneu8
took a dear little girl. We
cannot get them here often,
as both are much engaged
in their own pastimes in
Somersetshire.

Stella has
just started in a fresh
school at Grantham. She
still works in a kindergarten,
+ loves the work.

The trouble of Mary always
brings back remembrances of

122p3pneu8
my visit to you + of the
views + the beautiful flowers
and of the delight of seeing
your work + your pupils
all round you. I still read
the P. R. with great interest.

My husband is wonderful, able
still to take long rides, + to
row up the river + is very
keen about "Food Controller"

222 p4pneu8

business as well as many other
things. - I am so thankful for this
but cannot keep pace with it all
myself. + do what I used to do.

I have to look on + wonder!
I look often at your portrait
+ rejoice to hear you are well
You have done so much +
there are so many who love
to think of you. I never forget
my right of you dear friend

Yours ever loving

Mary L Hunt Davis

August 6th letter from 221 Holly Lodge ^{123p1 pneug.} Mansion
26.7.1950 M. London
with 100 years ago N.6.

My dear Miss Kitching

Yes indeed, that was a very
Strange Coincidence -

When speaking to the London Office
on the phone & I was told you had
recently resigned, I said "oh,

Miss Kitching would have known who
I am"

& then your letter came
by return of writing to Ambleside. It
is so good to be in touch with one
who still remembers my old home
& my dear Parents - yes, my Mother

had many interests & activities.
When most of us were launched &
she had more time again, she
took a keen & active interest in
the Summer Holiday Courses for foreigners.

She also was in touch with Arthur Mee ^{123 2pneug}
& wrote a series of articles for the first
Edition of the Children's Encyclopaedia
at the beginning of this century -

And then she left us before the
first World War & only a few months
after my Father - both too young to go.

And now you are writing the
Life of Miss Mason - you have a
large & interesting task before you -
I have never seen my Mother's article
on the early history of Bishop Otter's C.
I do remember Miss Trevor Coury
to see us -

I feel sure my brother will agree
with me about the suggestion
of books for the library - a more
lasting memory of her at the
Charlotte Mason College - I am

2/ Sending on your letters for him to read ^{is3p3pneu8}

My delay, in answering your very kind letter was caused by trying to lay my hand on some extra photos of my Mother taken about 1910. We think them very good. They suggest the kindly smile you remember. Thinking you may like to have one I am now sending two, what would you think of cutting out the other & mounting it in one of the presentation books.

Of the 'Nurses at 89' you remember, only my brother & I are left. He was Government Actuary & retired in 1944. & now lives with his wife on a farm on the Quantocks. His

523P4Pneu8
daughter Frances - born happily on
Mother's birthday - runs the farm
& is in love with her life in the
Country - I find them rather
far off to visit often - & my
other niece is married & lives
even further off at Falmouth.
her Christopher is now 18 months.

Again saying how happy I was
to receive your letter

& for "Auld lang Syne"

I am yours affectionately

Mary T. Epps.

The photos come separately. being too big to
enclose -

244 pipneu8

HIGH-AISHOLT FARM,
SPAXTON,
BRIDGWATER, SOM.
SPAXTON 231.

14th August - 1950

Dear Miss Kitching.

It is a pleasure to read
your letter to my sister Mary.
I am so glad that you like
our plan to celebrate the
centenary of dear Mother's birth
with your help.

I am sure that Mary and you
will be able to settle upon the
best way of doing it.

It is a long time since

8 und 2 pence

HIGH-ALMOTT FARM,
SPAXTON,
BRIDGWATER, SOM.
SPAXTON 231.

Miss Mason and you used to
come to Gt. Russell St., but
I can remember the time I
felt as a snail by the
Mother's Headmistress at
Bristol & other College!
With kind regards
Yours sincerely

George SwEpp

(Sir)

57. Didmore End Road Emma Green
Jan: 18th Reading. i25p1pneu8

Dear Miss Kitching.

You must be wondering when you are
going to hear from me. I am very sorry to have
been so long writing but I have been laid up
with Rheumatism, Fibrocitis for some weeks.
I am better at last with the help of massage.
My eldest sister Katharine died unfortunately of colitis
before she could finish her training she a doctor at
The Royal Free Hospital. She was at one time on
the staff of Reading University in the Botany department
under Dr. Decker. The second sister Mary took
her science degree at Newnham College & taught
until she married. Philip Hemcock (Rev PWP) & he has
not lived her - There I had a sister Dorothy who helped

At Mr Birch with their foreign field students at Oxford
she was not strong & died some years ago
I have three sisters living & Stella & Cecily &
Cherry (Mrs Hook) my twin brother died in an accident in 1917.

I am most interested to hear about the
embroidery. I have one or two samples of my
mother's needle-work framed. a swallow a lily & a
Passion Flower - She loved colour & painted in
water colour often -

May I take this opportunity of wishing you
a happy 1951 & great success with your book

Yours Sincerely,

Helen L. Hart Davis

105p2pneu8

Dec. 30

221 Holly Lodge Mansions
London N.6

Dear Miss Kitching

Miss van Straubeeze has mentioned to me you are worried about a reference to my brother in my letter. Yes, I am sorry to say, he died last February - not unexpectedly as he had been in ill health

for some years - Having seen him as a little boy, being Mother's only Son, you may be interested to read what he did with his life. So I enclose a "Times" Cutting. I do ^{not} want it back.

He was very like Mother in character -

So now I am the only one left of that nursery full of

12602pneu8

Children you saw in the early 90's
One of his daughters is a farmer
& the other married with 2 small
boys living at Talmouth -

I stayed at the House of Education
in Oct. 1905, my first visit to the
lovely Lake district & now
you are preparing for its diamond
jubilee. I hope the College
continues in vigorous life.

Yes Mother had a sweet smile
& I think the photo shows this
very well

With all good wishes for
the New Year
from Mary T. Epps